NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION ==

NAVY WEEK JULY 19-25

WHEREAS, the United States is a maritime nation, and the U.S. Navy protects America at sea, defends freedom, preserves economic prosperity and keeps the seas open and free; and

WHEREAS, the United States Navy is instrumental in ensuring the safety and security of \$4.3 billion in annual exports from the State of North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, 13 ships have been named after the State of North Dakota, its cities, places and people, and our citizens take great pride in supporting our current namesake vessel, the USS North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the state of North Dakota is honored to have the presence of the U.S. Navy in our state; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Navy will be in Fargo in conjunction with the Fargo Air Sho; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Navy will host special events and programs in the Fargo area to increase the community's knowledge and understanding of the Navy and its global mission; and

WHEREAS, Fargo Navy Week includes engagements with corporate, civic, government, education and community service organizations, and several public events including free concerts by Navy Band Great Lakes.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim July 19-25, NAVY WEEK in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum GOVERNOR

Alvin A. Jaeger SECRETARY OF STATE